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- 1. DE 840 055 C
- 2. DE 1 096 227 B
- 3. DE 44 25 633 C1
- 4. DE 42 23 563 C1

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5. US 4,965,915

6. DE 195 28 309 C2 (English abstract provided)

Documents 1-5 are cited in the ISR. Document 6 is mentioned in the background of the specification. A concise explanation of relevancy for each non-English document is provided below:

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It is indicated in the ISR that page 2, line 29 – page 3, line 2 and Figs. 2 and 12 of Document 1 are "X" category relevant to claims 1-2, 4-6, 10, 15-19, and 25-26 and "Y" of category relevant to claims 11-14 of the corresponding PCT application.

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It is indicated in the ISR that column 1, lines 1-6, Figs. 1 and 3-4, and column 1, line 51 – column 2, line 54 of Document 2 are "X" category relevant to claims 1-3 and 15-18 of the corresponding PCT application.

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#### Document 6

A concise explanation of relevancy is provided in the background of the specification.

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